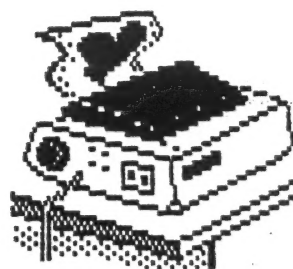


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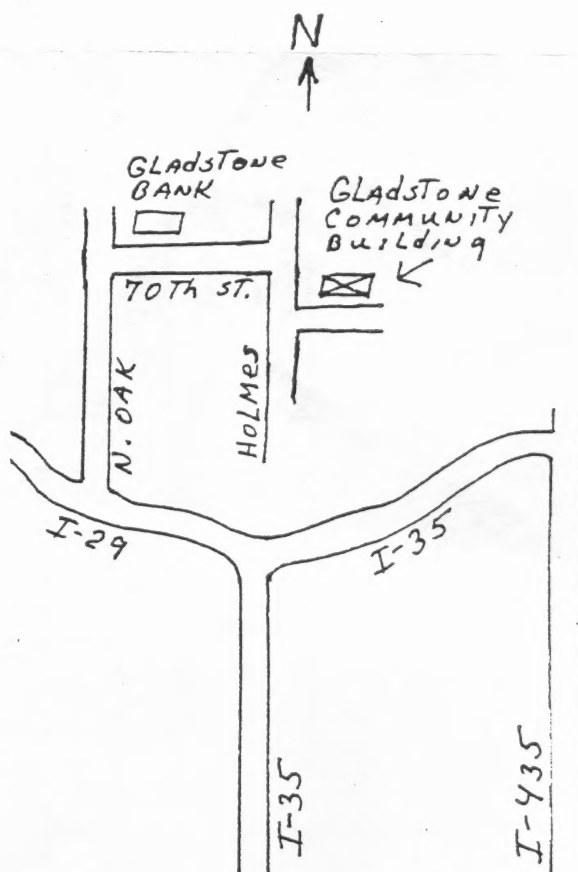
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## THE PRESIDENTS CORNER

BY  
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I wrote last month that I was going to Chicago to the Atari Fair, well, believe it or not, it was cancelled before I arrived. Well, that's the way it goes sometime. How I did get a chance to attend a IBM PC Clone show and I was not impressed. I admit I got the chance to see some new hardware, but it was not what I expected from a Major force in the computer industry.

I don't know about you, but what I am hearing concerning Atari is encouraging if it is true. The hardware is supposed to be coming out and on its way to market even if it is half way around the world. I believe if they put what they say they are going to put on the Market, it will assure them a viable spot in the computer industry. For instance, the PC-DITTO software, (if you don't have it, get it). In my opinion, it is one of the best things Atari could have allowed on the market for its computers. It gives one slow IBM PC clone, but IBM none the less. I had the biggest thrill looking in magazines at software that I may can use that is not written for the Atari. I also get the biggest thrill talking to my friends that have or is thinking about the IBM. My remarks are, I have a faster computer, I have more usable memory than IBM, I can play games and now I can use the same software as the IBM, what can I get that's any better than what I have.

Before I go, I want to say thanks to the members of KC-NACE, I think you are the best bunch of people I have had the pleasure of knowing. Even though the meeting was very informal, I had the best time I have had in a long time. From me to you, THANKS!

KC-NACE MEETING WILL BE AUGUST 24:  
BE SURE AND BE

THERE BECAUSE THERE WILL BE A LOT TO  
DO TO PREPARE FOR THE FALL AND  
WINTER MEETINGS. WE HOPE TO HAVE A  
NEW OUT LOOK, NEW INSIGHTS AND NEW  
PROSPECTIVES FOR THE MEMBERS.

## THE PRINTER: A GOOD BUY AT ANY COST

BY  
KEN HUNT

When I received the early summer DAK Industries catalog, a electronic typewriter (Silver Reed) caught my eye. It looked like all the others, the price was good not great, but it had a built-in parallel interface.--I have a Gemini 10X printer. It does graphics and the emphasized text is not bad but it doesn't have near letter quality, and nothing even close to letter quality printing. I bought it about two months before NLQ became available so I have been putting up with it since then. My wife and I have both needed letter quality printing on occasion so I ordered the typewriter/printer.

DAK has a 30 day trial period so I thought we could try it and send it back if it was junk.--It hooked right up to my Ape-Face interface. As a typewriter it has many features: 10,12,15 characters per inch, line centering, boldface printing, automatic underline, justified right margin, correction tape and more. A memory card is also available for text storage. But as a letter quality printer, it is compatible with Atariwriter+ and I expect most other word processing programs. After putting it into the interface mode there is one extra command needed to turn the auto line feed on. This makes the printer line feed when it receives a carriage return otherwise it prints line after line with out advancing the paper. It is rated at 10 characters per second but seems faster because it prints bidirectionally.--The print quality is true letter quality. The electronic typewriter uses a daisy wheel and a one pass ribbon.

Other print wheels are available but the ribbon seems to run through quickly. Replacements are about \$2.50 to \$3.50 each. Used as a printer the correction tape will last a very long time.--DAK's price is \$169 + \$9 postage/handling. At that price this typewriter is a pretty good deal, or as a letter quality printer it is a pretty good deal. But as a LQ printer and a full featured typewriter it is a great deal.--You can get the latest DAK catalog by calling 1-800-325-0800.xxxxxxxx



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